



**THE PARISHES OF
LEDBURY AND EASTNOR**



*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus,
Sharing His Love*

**SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**8:00am BCP Communion
Led by Revd Bill MacKenzie**

**10:00am Parish Communion
Celebrating Luke the Evangelist.
Led by Revd Canon Stuart Currie**

**5.30pm Choral Evensong
Led by The Venerable George Howe**

**SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER
LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**8.00am BCP Communion
Led by Rev'd Michael Gallagher**

**10.00am Parish Communion
Led by Rev'd Michael Gallagher**

Church office: phone number: 01531 631 531.

Email: admin@stmichaelsledbury.org

Our website is:

www.stmichaelsledbury.org

Facebook – The church's facebook page: fb.me/stmichaelsledbury – Do have a look, like, follow and participate.

Please provide information for our weekly pew sheet by Wednesday each week. Thank you. Please email to churchwardens@stmichaelsledbury.org and admin@stmichaelsledbury.org

Sunday parking is for Blue Badge holders only.

Pastoral Care. The Pastoral Team consists of: Sue Cooper, Sue Simpson, Richard Nightingale and Val Houghton. If you have any Pastoral issues, or help is needed then please contact Val Houghton. (val.houghton1@btinternet.com).

Prayer Chain. Please let Val or one of the wardens know if you would like to receive prayer chain messages. If you have a request for prayer please use the same contacts.

Repairs and maintenance queries should be directed to Andrew Beech.

SERVICES

LEDBURY Services

8am Sunday BCP Communion

10am Sunday Parish Communion (2nd Sunday Morning Worship)

Prayer Is available after the 10am Service in St Anne's Chapel

Thursday 7am and midday prayers in church

Friday 10.30am Holy Communion in S^t Katherine's Chapel

Third Sunday Choral Evensong 5.30pm

EASTNOR Services on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11.15am

NOTICES

Please send any items for the Pew sheet to churchwardens@stmichaelsledbury.org and admin@stmichaelsledbury.org.

Helen I'Anson is heading up the 'catering team' at St. Michael's so please do not hesitate to contact her with any catering queries, requests and questions that you might have. Also, if you would like to join the 'catering team' please speak to Helen. email;- iansonjsw@yahoo.co.uk.

Church work. We are having some work done on the church roof that will take around four weeks to complete. The contractor will be using a cherry picker, which they will need to park outside the Chapter House. Please note, therefore, that parking in this area will be reduced over the period of the construction work. Please also note that, if you see someone on the church roof over that period, they are probably meant to be there. The lead inside the northernmost of the two waterspouts on the west front of the church has rotted, leading to some erosion of the stonework. Scaffolding to allow for this to be repaired is already in place, and repair work will start this week.

Real Advent Calendars. LEAF will again be donating 'Real Advent Calendars' this year to both Ledbury Primary and Eastnor schools. Each class will receive a calendar, meaning that each child will have an opportunity to open a window and receive a chocolate, as well as hearing the real story of advent and the coming of Jesus. This gift is received very warmly by the schools. If you would like me to order calendars, or other items from 'The Meaningful Chocolate' company for your personal use I am very happy to do so.....the larger the order the smaller the postage cost! If anyone wishes to make a financial donation to LEAF to help with this project or any other part of our work it will be gratefully received.

More details of the products available are at: www.realadvent.co.uk

To donate to LEAF please either speak to me or go to the website <https://www.leafledbury.com>

Mary Anne Keyes

Harvest Thanksgiving. A huge “thank you” to everyone who donated and brought gifts to support the Foodbank. The church decorations were wonderful, and “thank you” to the Flower Guild for their hard work and support.

Flower Guild. Over recent years, the Flower Guild at St Michaels has reduced in numbers. Chris Lynch, who leads the group and Gill Romanowski plan to step down at the end of this year thus leaving only 2 members. We would like to thank both Chris and Gill for their many years of quiet, devoted service. Before she goes, Chris is keen to pass on her knowledge and experience to others so that the Flower Guild can rebuild.

If you, or someone you know, would like to get involved with the flowers in church, whether in learning how to arrange flowers, providing flowers or foliage from the garden or contributing financially to the Flower Guild, please contact Chris on 07794 934 091 or email her at chris.lynch54@btinternet.com. Both men and women are welcome. There will be a meeting on 23 November at 10:30am in the Chapter House to plan the way forward.

Revd Canon Sarah Hillman's Installation Revd Canon Sarah Hillman's induction in on 3rd November. Currently we do not have anyone to record or stream our services but we would like if possible, to record the induction service for those who are unable to attend. If anyone feels able to do so, or knows of anyone who could, please speak to one of the wardens.

Revd Canon Sarah Hillman's Installation - Helen I'Anson is coordinating refreshments following Sarah's service on 3rd November. If you can help in any way - providing food, setting out or serving - she would love to hear from you (speak to her or email iansonjsw@yahoo.co.uk)

Advance notice – Morning Service on 22nd November will be a joint benefice service with Eastnor to celebrate the arrival of our new Rector. The service will be at the later time of 10:30 and take place in St Michael's.

WE PRAY FOR:

Our link CMS Mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and Hereford Diocesan Links with Tanzania.

The new Rector – Rev Canon Sarah Hillman

We pray for those who are sick: we have amended the list below, but if you know of anyone who should still be included, please let us know.

David Hicks Tony Harris Ian James

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

Mary Cooper Joyce Mason Barbara Morris Roger Jackman Jan James Elizabeth Watson

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 1st November. All Souls Service (Rosemary & Remembrance) at 3.30pm. A sheet is available at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to record the name of a loved one who has passed away, to be read out at this service

Saturday 7 November . Coffee Concert Saturday.

Friday & Saturday 6th & 7th November. The Long Trick (Market Theatre Ledbury, Nov 6th and 7th): A number of people from St Michael's are taking part in this play about the life of John Masefield. It is part of the *Masefield Matters* project which aims to raise awareness of the life and works of the poet who is Ledbury's most famous son. The play combines drama, narration, dramatic readings and music in a brisk journey through the extraordinary life of our very own Poet Laureate. Please book your tickets direct through the Market Theatre box office.

Charity Concert Friday 20th November 7.30pm
Pavilion Rooms, Ledbury Rugby Club.

Bromyard Wind Band will present an evening of music and songs from films and musicals, including *Les Misérables*. Founded in Bromyard in the 1980s, the band recently celebrated its 40th anniversary and now has 42 brass, woodwind and percussion players from Herefordshire and surrounding counties—promising a fabulous concert!

Tickets are £10 from Kevin and Ruth Hewison or Three Counties Bookshop. Phone 07973 964885 or email khbandtickets@gmail.com.

Parking, bar and raffle available. All profits go to St Michaels for future building improvements.

Saturday 28th November, Advent Quiet Day The annual joint churches Advent Quiet Day will take place, hosted by Holy Trinity Church and led by Father Thomas Regan. Details nearer the time.

Readings for 18th October 2026: Trinity XX St Luke's Feast

An Old Testament Reading from: Isaiah 35: 3-6

³Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

A New Testament Reading from: 2 Timothy 4: 5-17

⁵But as for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry. ⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing. ⁹Do your best to come to me soon. ¹⁰For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. ¹²Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. ¹³When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ¹⁴Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. ¹⁵Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶At my first defence no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

A Reading from the Gospel of: Luke 10:1-9

¹After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. ²And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. ³Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. ⁴Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. ⁵Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' ⁶And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. ⁷And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. ⁹Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

Collect

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God our Father,
whose Son, the light unfailing,
has come from heaven to deliver the world
from the darkness of ignorance:
let these holy mysteries open the eyes of our understanding
that we may know the way of life,
and walk in it without stumbling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.